



April 23, 2009

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SUBJECT: STOP LAMP SWITCH REPLACEMENT

#### DEAR MR. BABCOCK:

This letter serves to acknowledge Hyundai-Kia America Technical Center, Inc's notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety defect in the products described below for which a safety recall campaign shall be conducted pursuant to Federal law.

Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

### Makes/Models/Model Years:

KIA/AMANTI/2007 KIA/RONDO/2007 KIA/SEDONA/2006-2007 KIA/SORENTO/2006-2007 KIA/SPORTAGE/2006-2007

NHTSA Campaign Number: 09V-130

Mfg's Report Date: April 15, 2009

**Components:** EXTERIOR LIGHTING: BRAKE LIGHTS: SWITCH

**Potential Number of Units Affected: 139,844** 

# **Summary:**

HUYNDAI-KIA IS RECALLING 139,844 MY 2006-2007- SEDONA, SPORTAGE, SORENTO AND MY RONDO AND AMANTI VEHICLES. THE STOP LAMP SWITCH IN THE VEHICLE MAY HAVE BEEN DAMAGED DURING THE ASSEMBLY PROCESS. AS A RESULT, THE STOP LAMP SWITCH MAY MALFUNCTION CAUSING ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS TO EXIST: THE BRAKE LIGHTS MAY NOT ILLUMINATE WHEN THE BRAKE PEDAL IS DEPRESSED OR MAY REMAIN ILLUMINATED WHEN THE BRAKE PEDAL IS RELEASED. ON SOME OCCASIONS, WHEN THE VEHICLE IS STARTED, THE SHIFTER CANNOT BE MOVED FROM THE PARK (P) POSITION. IF THE VEHICLE IS EQUIPPED WITH ELECTRONIC STABILITY CONTROL (ESC), THE ESC LIGHT MAY ILLUMINATE INDICATING "ESC OFF." IF THE VEHICLE IS EQUIPPED WITH CRUISE CONTROL, DEPRESSING THE BRAKE MAY NOT DEACTIVATE THE CRUISE CONTROL SYSTEM.

### **Consequence:**

THE MALFUNCTION OF THE STOP LAMP SWITCH MAY INCREASE THE RISK OF A CRASH.

### Remedy:

DEALERS WILL REPLACE THE STOP LAMP SWITCH TO ELIMINATE THE POSSIBILITY THAT THIS CONDITION MIGHT EXIST. THIS SERVICE WILL BE PERFORMED FREE OF CHARGE. THE RECALL IS EXPECTED TO BEGIN DURING MAY/JUNE 2009. OWNERS MAY CONTACT CONSUMER ASSISTANCE CENTER AT 1-800-333-4542.

# **Notes:**

HYUNDAI-KIA RECALL NO. SC077. CUSTOMERS MAY ALSO CONTACT THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION'S VEHICLE SAFETY HOTLINE AT 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), OR GO TO HTTP://WWW.SAFERCAR.GOV.

The information in your defect report appears to satisfy the requirements of 49 CFR 573.6.

We have reviewed your proposed owner letter and it meets the requirements of 49 CFR Part 577.

Please provide the following additional information and be reminded of the following requirements:

Copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

As stated in Part 573.7, submission of the first of six consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on or before 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter.

Your contacts for this recall will be Delia Lopez who may be reached by phone at 202-366-9525, or by email at <a href="mailto:Delia.lopez@dot.gov">Delia.lopez@dot.gov</a>, or through the office email at <a href="mailto:RMD.ODI@dot.gov">RMD.ODI@dot.gov</a>. We look forward to working with you for successful completion of this recall campaign.

Sincerely,

George H. Person

Chief, Recall Management Division

Office of Defects Investigation

Enforcement